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THE INTEGRITY OF STORED

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DEVICE

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## PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)

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In accordance with 37 C.F. R. § 1.136(a), Applicants for the above-identified application respectfully Petition the Commissioner for a two (2) month extension of time, extending the period for response to September 07, 2004, from the Final Office Action dated April 05, 2004. The petition filing fee of \$420.00 and a Response to Final Office Action are attached.

If it should be determined that a longer extension of time is required to prevent this application from being abandoned, please charge any additional fees to Deposit Account No. 02-2666. A copy of the Fee Transmittal is enclosed for deposit account charging purposes.

Respectfully submitted,

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